PERRY S. HEATH

Sketch of the Career of the Assistant Postmaster General.

MELD MANY POSITIONS OF TRUST

Identified With Hawali Through His Connection With the First American Bank.

Now that the First American Bank of Hawaii is to open its doors in a day or two a sketch of the public career of its first and foremost promoter will not be inopportune.

Porto Rico, resulting in the placing of the postal service of that island upon laid Charleston in ruins. His various services to the United Press Association services to the United Press Association in the postal services to the United Press Association in the placing of the postal services to the United Press Association in the placing of the postal services to the United Press Association in the placing of al committee to receive contributions for the purchase of a home in Wash-ington for Admiral Dewey, have again brought that popular young man into public view. The secret of Mr. Heath's success and popularity is not strange when a little of his life is known. Those who have only known Perry

Sanford Heath, First Assistant Post-master General, as the suave, adroit, hardworking executive officer of the Postoffice Department—the "greatest business concern in the world," as rosemaster General Charles Emory Smith described it in a recent maga-zine article—those who have only met him, surrounded by prominent public men in his business office, equally alert in his intercourse with them to grasp a political point or to master a complicated executive detail, might think that, like the traditional poet, he was "born, not made," for his the Western Territories, since admit-

This would be far from the truth. The facts are that he has been ham-mered into shape, so to speak, by hard experience and variegated vicissitudes. Some of these have been told; others and the most interesting are not generally known. That he was born on a farm in Indiana and passed the early years of boyhood in farm labor, has often been published. There is noth-ing very significant in this, in view of the bright galaxy of familiar names in American history who received similar initiation into public life. But Perry S. Heath had training of other kinds. Printer, banker, newspaper corre-spondent in fields of special danger at home and abroad; the confidant of men of more than national reputation; newspaper editor and publisher, and manager of one of the most successful of political literary bureaus, he made a name and a mark in each avocation before he was called upon to fill an of-fice, which, but for inherent modesty, would have frequently placed him in the Cabinet councils of the President of the United States, as a representa-tive of the Postoffice Department in the absence of his immediate chief, the Postmaster General.

in the earlier years of his life, after leaving his father's farm, Mr. Heath entered a printing omce and learned all the branches of the "art preservative of arts." From that experience dates his sympathy with all legitimate trade organizations designed to pro-tect the interests of labor without attempting to do wrong to capital. This feature of his public life has been recognized by numerous formal resolutions of organized trade bodies. One by the carload, he ascertained that one large order for printing, amounting to into the hands of a non-union office. He refused to accept the work after it all pressure and threats of litigation that the important firm which had made the contract as a last resource took itself into the typographical union, with its hundreds of non-union employes, and then its work was accepted, and printers all over the United States rejoiced. He induced eight or ten of the largest non-union printing ing the rolls of the unions by several enlogistic resolutions and thanked President McKinley for appointing him First Assistant Postmaster General. It was a like sympathy with labor that led him to exert himself successfully, in his present official capacity, to secure the classification of cierks at postoffices, another achievement which has been widely recognized.

While acting as newspaper corres pondent at Washington-1881-93-he devoted much attention to financial topics, and, with his brothers, started serving as director in them as long as his time would permit, or until 1894 when he became president and general manager of the Cincinnati "Commer cial Gazette" Company.

The year 1887 was one to him full of adventure. He was sent by the United Press to Paris during the Boulanger excitement, with a view of becoming war correspondent if that redoubtable general succeeded in bringing on a renewal of hostilities with Germany over Alsace-Lorraine. He had a celebrated crust on the feet, enabling the geese interview with Boulanger, in which to travel over great distances. that baffled agitator admitted he could not raise sufficient forces to accom-plish his purpose, following up this confesson by retiring to Belgium and committing suicide.

much important information, which

after much difficulty, an interview with the great Russian Nihilist. Sergius Stepniak, in his secret retreat in the outskirts of London. This adventure was accompanied by many interesting and mysterious features. He gained Stepniak's confidence to such an ex-tent that when afterward a treaty was sent to the United States Senate which would have permitted the extradition from this country of Russian political exiles, Stepniak put himself in com-munication with Mr. Heath, came to Washington, was by him introduced to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, to whom he made such representations (supporting them by reading extracts from Mr. Heath's book) as led to the rejection of the treaty.

As if to crowd important adventures into the smallest space of time, the same year found Mr. Heath in Charleston, S. C., reporting the death-inflicting earthquakes. In one of the nights of inconceivable terror accompanying that great convulsion of nature, when buildings were falling all around him, and terrified people were running into the streets in their night-clothes. Mr. Heath sat in the middle of the street dictating to a telegraph operator, who had removed his instrument to that place of comparative safety, the only The recent official visit of First As-sistant Postmaster General Heath to through the press associations of the tion were frequently recognized in the proceedings of the directors.

The services rendered by him in connection with the last Presidential campaign have been mentioned. Mr. Heath took a prominent part in previous elections. He was one of the earliest advocates of the nomination of Benjamin Harrison, with whom he was connected by ties of neighborhood and friendship, for he himself was born within a few miles of the Harrison homestead. He supported General Harrison for the Senate, and for his first Presidential nomination, and had charge of the literary bureau at the Minneapolis convention when President Harrison was nominated a second time. It is an open secret that Mr. Heath was tendered and strongly urged to accept the Governorship of one of ted as a State, but declined the honor.
In connection with his present offi-

cial position he has frequently been called upon to perform important serv-ices. He was chairman of the Committee of Arrangements of the Triennial Convention of the International Postal Union, which met in Washington City in 1897—one of the most important international bodies that ever assembled in this country. Congress appropriated \$50,000 for their entertainment. Mr. Heath was also chairman of the committee which disbursed that fund, and turned back \$7,000 into the Treasury-probably the first in stance when an undertaking of this kind did not result in a deficit.

He was chosen sole arbitrator pass upon a long-pending dispute be tween the Government and the Western Union Telegraph Company as to the rate of tolls to be paid on Government messages—many hundreds of thousands of dollars yearly being involved, and aggregating a total of nearly \$1,000,000. The investigation of these accounts required great labor. His report when made was promptly accepted by both the Western Union Telegraph Company and the Govern ment as a satisfactory adjustment of the controversy, and the United States Court of Claims rendered judgment pro forma, which judgment was satisfied by Congress without question.

The arduous duties performed him in organizing, establishing and maintaining the military postal service during our late war with Spain are matters of history. It was a work of great responsibility, without any guiding line of precedent, for the public tence was passed. The prisoner mainment of the literary bureau of the Mc-Kinley campaign, in 1896, at Chicago, when he was furnishing matter to 12.- ing the war between the States, from 000 newspapers and political literature 1861 to 1865. The excellence and effectiveness of the service established, not only in the numerous military probably \$20,000 or \$30,000, had fallen camps in the United States, but in our conquered and ceded new possessions, attest in the most conspicuous manner was completed, and so firmly resisted Mr. Heath's executive abilities, and in his career as a public servant.

COLLECTOR IVERS RESIGNS.

For the second time in the last three months the Collector Generalship of offices in Chicago to unionize, augment- first time was when F. B. McStocker resigned the position to go to Olaa as thousand names. For this action the the manager of that plantation. With Allied Printers' Unions of Chicago him went Denuty Collector Clay. Richhim went Deputy Collector Clay. Richard Ivers succeeded McStocker, and E. R. Stackable was appointed to the deputyship.

Yesterday Collector-General Ivers resigned his position to succeed H. Laws in the Spreckels bank. His successor will be Deputy Collector Stackable. It is understood that Leslie Scott, who has been in the Customs service for some time, will be advanced to the deputyship. The policy of advanceseveral banks in Indiana and Ohio, ment in order of promotion will be pursued this time in preference to choosing somebody from the outside.

GEESE SHOD IN BOHEMIA.

Bohemian geese, which are driven long distances to market, are shod before starting on the journey by being sent repeatedly over patches of tar mixed with sand. This forms a hard to travel over great distances.

The pain of a burn or scald is almost instantly relieved by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It also hears the From France Mr. Heath went to Rus-injured parts more quickly than any sia and studied Nihilism, obtaining other treatment, and unless the burn he contributed to magazines and afterward republished in book form, under the title of "A Hoosier in Russia."

These writings led to his obtaining gists and dealers.

FIRES

Thousands of Houses Destroyed in Japanese Cities.

MILLER SENTENCED TO DEATH

Engagement of the Crown Prince-Wire es Telegraphy in Japan Address from French Consu .

The following advices were received by the Pacific Mail steamship Rio de Janeiro last Saturday:

Fire broke out in the neighborhood of Kumoicho in the native town, at Yokohama, at about 8:30 o'clock on Saturday night (12th) and in consequence of the strong southerly gale blowing at the time, spread with frightful rapidity over an enormous area of streets, involving the loss of several lives, thousands of houses and much valuable property. The quarter over which the fire spread, however, being one of the poorest in the city, with some exceptions, including Isezakicho and several public schools, the loss was not so extensive as it would have been had the fire occurred elsewhere. Had it not been for the barrier offered by the creeks it is safe to say that almost the whole of the native town would have been included in this wholesale destruction. Fortunately, the flames were unable to overleap these extremely narrow boundaries, so that the area of devastation was restricted and very clearly defined. The fire raged until morning and only subsided when there was virtually nothing left to burn within the area men-tioned. Fifteen lives were lost and a large number of people injured. Several native theaters and other large buildings were burned. The official reports show that 3,173 houses contained in seventeen streets were to-tally destroyed. The insurance to be paid by the various insurance compa-nies amounts to about 603,000 yen and several companies are bound to come bankrupt in consequence. Nearly 60,000 yen has been raised for the benefit of the homeless sufferers. Since the fire prices of the various staples have risen 20 per cent on an average and the rise in price of lumber, woodplates, etc., is extraordinary. Carpenters, plasterers, matting-makers, stone cutters and bricklayers, etc., now asl 20 or 30 per cent more wages and still the supply is unequal to the demand.

Another big fire occurred at 12:30 a. m. on August 20th at Toyama, where some 6,000 houses, including a number of public buildings, were reduced to ashes in twelve hours. The loss was between six and ten million yen.

A second fire in Yokohama on the

morning of the 17th destroyed seventysix houses and partially burned four-

On the 19th ult. judgment was given in the Yokohama Chiho Saibansho (District Court) in the triple murder case, in which an American named Miller was accused of the crime. He was sentenced to death, but notice of appeal was immediately given. The trial, being the first under the new regime in which a foreigner is concerned, has naturally excited considerable interest, and the courtroom was crowded by a large audience, which

Prince to Princess Kujo Sadako, third daughter of Prince Kujo Michitaka was to be announced on the 31st instant when the Crown Prince attained his majority. The Kujo family is one of the five oldest and highest families of Japan, known as Gossekke, and the establish another bright marking-point late Empress Dowager was a daughter of the late Prince Kujo Hisatada, 28th descendant of the Kampaku Kiyo Ka-nezane. Fujiwara Kamatari, the ancestor of the Kujo family, is deified as a god in Yamato Province. The Imperial Bride, Princess Sada, was born in April, 1884, and is the sister of H. Customs has been left vacant. The H. Princess Yamashina and of the young Count Otani, of the Hongwanji Buddhist Temple, Kyoto.

A treaty relating to extradition will shortly be concluded between the British and the Japanese Governments and also with Belgium and Mexico.

SAN DOMINGO.

Revolutionists Capture Fort, Arsenal and Other Buildings.

PUERTO PLATA, Santo Domingo, August 24.—Generals Caceres, Vasquez and Brache, at the head of 500 revolutionists, appeared before Macori. They left the great body of their troops at the entrance to the city, and with twenty men advanced to the Governor's house, demanding surrender.

Governor Castillo, thoroughly cowed, repaired to the plaza without thoroughly making any resistance, and the delivery of the park, fort, arsenal and Gov-ernment buildings was then effected The revolutionists then formally occupied the surrounding country, meeting

with no opposition. In this way the revolution, strong and humane, is rapidly advancing, avoiding so far as possible the shed-ding of blood and winning sympathy by the character of its methods. The nez seems assured. There is no check on the eastern boundary.

LONDON, August 19.-William Waldorf Astor intends to put his son, Wal-dorf Astor, into the Household Caval-ry. He was educated at Eton and Ox-

A Mother's Responsibility

A great responsibility rests upon mothers at the time their daughters are budding into womanhood. If your daughter is pale, complains of weakness, is "tired out" upon slight exertion; if she is troubled with headache or backache, pain in the sides if her temper is fitful and her appetits poor, she is in a condition of extreme peril, a fit subject for that most dreaded of all diseases—consumption. If you notice any of these symptoms lose no time in procuring;

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